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# Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or  
after June 8, 1995.  
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	10/626,253
Filing Date	7/23/03
First Named Inventor	Marc Schaepekens
Group Art Unit	1763
Examiner Name	Luz L. Alejandro Mulero
Attorney Docket Number	RD-28667-3

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

## 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a. ☐ Previously submitted

i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☒ Other Submission \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months: Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(f) required)

b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 07-0868.

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

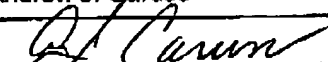
ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed.


c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Marc Schaepekens

: Group Art Unit: 1763

Application No. 10/626,253

: Examiner: Luz L. Alejandro Mulero

Filed: July 23, 2003

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DEPOSITING LARGE AREA COATINGS  
ON PLANAR SURFACES

**SUBMISSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.114**

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Sir:

A Request For Continued Examination (RCE) has been made for the referenced case under 37 C.F.R. 1.114. With respect to any additional fees required, the Applicants request that this submission be considered a petition therefore. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 07-0868. Claims 40-44 have been cancelled. Claims 32-39 remain pending in this application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.